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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE  
GROUP 1651  
PATENT APPLICATION

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of

Docket No: A8275

Johnson CHUNG, et al.

Appln. No.: 10/057,561

Group Art Unit: 1651

Confirmation No.: 4657

Examiner: LILLING, H. J.

Filed: January 29, 2002

For: MUTANT ACTINOSYNNEMA PRETIOSUM STRAIN WITH INCREASED  
MAYTANSINOID PRODUCTION

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Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

This Amendment is responsive to the Office Action mailed August 12, 2003. The examiner set a three month period for the response. Attached hereto and herein incorporated by reference is a Petition for an one-month extension of time, making the due date for response December 12, 2003.

Please amend the above-identified application as shown on the following pages.